**STAFF WRITER**

**JOB DESCRIPTION**

Strong Towns, a nationally recognized non-profit organization, is seeking a dynamic individual to write weekly articles for our publication.

The mission of Strong Towns is to support a model of development that allows America’s cities, towns, and neighborhoods to grow financially strong and resilient. We have over 3,000 members worldwide, including at least one in each U.S. state. Our influential media stream reached more than 2.2 million people last year and is shaping the national conversation on growth, development, and the future of cities.

We need someone to help us meet the growing demand for our unique and varied content. This could be you if:

- You’re a **confident, agile writer**. You could take a timely story idea and turn it into a finished product (complete with interviews and research, if needed) within a few days.
- **You’re interested in transportation, urban planning, housing, and related issues**. Maybe you even have experience writing on these topics already.
- **Impending deadlines and quick turnarounds** don’t faze you. You’re regularly done with tasks well before they’re due.
- You’re motivated to be part of a **nonpartisan nonprofit that helps people make their cities and towns more economically resilient**.
- Bonus: You have experience **working for an online publication with daily deadlines**.

This is a remote position open to anyone in the U.S. Our team collaborates digitally from locations around the country, and we get together 2–4 times per year for in-person staff retreats. We have content deadlines and occasional event-driven demands, but generally keep a flexible schedule. We are an equal opportunity, family-friendly organization. Our work is rewarding, and our organization is making a difference.

**DUTIES**

The Strong Towns theory of change is to expose people to our ideas, engage them in making those ideas relevant to their place, and then connect them to a growing movement of people, nudging them to take action in their community. The Staff Writer will help advance Strong Towns concepts and ideas, educating the public on relevant topics and growing support for this revolutionary approach to development.

The Staff Writer works with a team that includes a copy editor, fellow writers and multimedia creators, and colleagues who manage email and social media. This position reports to the Editor-in-Chief. Working with this team, the position’s duties include, but are not limited to, the following:
• Pitching stories that would be relevant to our geographically, politically, and professionally diverse audience.
• Writing weekly articles for the site on newsworthy topics, including researching and conducting interviews for stories.
• Leading the writing of ongoing series connected to our five current campaigns: End Highway Expansion, Safe and Productive Streets, Incremental Housing, End Parking Mandates, and Transparent Local Accounting.
• Writing announcements, podcast descriptions, and summary posts as needed.

COMPENSATION
This is a full-time position that pays up to $43,000 annually. In addition, Strong Towns provides a defined contribution for health coverage and a matching contribution for retirement, as well as paid family leave.

TO APPLY
If you are interested in this position, please visit www.strongtowns.org/employment to start the application process. Initial applications are due October 9. We are looking to fill this position by November 14.